

1 **BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION**

2 **COMMISSIONERS**

3 MARC SPITZER, Chairman
4 WILLIAM A. MUNDELL
5 JEFF HATCH-MILLER
6 MIKE GLEASON
7 KRISTIN K. MAYES

8 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
9 ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY FOR A
10 HEARING TO DETERMINE THE FAIR VALUE
11 OF THE UTILITY PROPERTY OF THE
12 COMPANY FOR RATEMAKING PURPOSES, TO
13 FIX A JUST AND REASONABLE RATE OF
14 RETURN THEREON, TO APPROVE RATE
15 SCHEDULES DESIGNED TO DEVELOP SUCH
16 RETRUN, AND FOR APPROVAL OF
17 PURCHASED POWER CONTRACT.

DOCKET NO. E-01345A-03-0437

AMENDED RATE CASE
PROCEDURAL ORDER

12 **BY THE COMMISSION:**

13 On June 27, 2003, the Arizona Public Service Company ("APS") filed with the Arizona
14 Corporation Commission ("Commission") an application for a rate increase and for approval of a
15 purchased power contract.

16 On July 25, 2003, the Utilities Division Staff ("Staff") of the Commission filed a letter stating
17 that the application was found sufficient and classified the applicant as a Class A utility.

18 By Procedural Order issued August 6, 2003, dates for prefiled testimony and hearing were
19 established.

20 Pursuant to Procedural Order issued April 29, 2004, the procedural schedule and discovery in
21 this matter was temporarily stayed at the request of the parties in order to allow the parties to
22 participate in settlement discussions. Procedural conferences were held on May 26, and June 14,
23 2004 in order to determine whether the stay should be extended.

24 By Procedural order issued June 18, 2004, a procedural conference was scheduled for July 20,
25 2004. By Procedural Order issued July 20, 2004, the procedural conference was rescheduled for
26 August 18, 2004, due to scheduling conflicts.

27 On August 18, 2004, Staff filed a Notice of Proposed Settlement Agreement.
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1 The August 18, 2004 procedural conference was held as scheduled and the parties proposed
2 procedural dates for filing testimony and for the hearing on the Proposed Settlement Agreement.

3 On August 28, 2004, the Town of Wickenburg filed a Motion to Withdraw as Intervenor.

4 Pursuant to A.A.C. R14-3-101, the Commission now issues this Procedural Order to govern
5 the preparation and conduct of this proceeding.

6 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the stay of the procedural schedule and discovery in this
7 matter is lifted.

8 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED the hearing in the above-captioned matter shall commence on
9 **November 8, 2004, at 10:00 a.m.** or as soon thereafter as is practical, at the Commission's offices,
10 1200 West Washington Street, Arizona 85007.

11 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a pre-hearing conference shall be held on **October 27,**
12 **2004,** at 1:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as is practical, at the Commission's offices, 1200 West
13 Washington Street, Arizona 85007, for the purpose of scheduling witnesses and the conduct of the
14 hearing.

15 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the parties shall file testimony and associated exhibits to be
16 presented at hearing on or before **September 27, 2004.**¹

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18 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that non-signatory parties who do not file testimony shall file a
19 statement of position on the Proposed Settlement Agreement on or before **September 27, 2004.**

20 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the parties shall file responsive/clarifying testimony and
21 associated exhibits on or before **October 25, 2004.**

22 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that **all filings shall be made by 4:00 p.m. on the date the**
23 **filing is due.**

24 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any objections to any testimony or exhibits which have
25 been prefiled as of October 27, 2004, shall be made before or at the October 27, 2004 pre-hearing
26 conference.

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28 ¹ The Commission expects that each party that is a signatory to the Proposed Settlement Agreement will have a witness available to testify on its behalf, and encourages non-signatory parties to provide witnesses, also.

1 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all testimony filed shall include a table of contents which
2 lists the issues discussed.

3 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any substantive corrections, revisions, or supplements to
4 pre-filed testimony shall be reduced to writing and filed no later than five days before the witness is
5 scheduled to testify.

6 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the parties shall prepare a brief, written summary of the
7 pre-filed testimony of each of their witnesses and shall file each summary at least two working days
8 before the witness is scheduled to testify.

9 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that copies of summaries should be served upon the Presiding
10 Officer, the Commissioners, and the Commissioners' aides as well as the parties of record.

11 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Company shall provide public notice of the hearing in
12 this matter, in the following form and style with the heading in no less than 24 point bold type and the
13 body in no less than 10 point regular type:

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15 **NOTICE OF PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND**
16 **PUBLIC NOTICE OF HEARING ON THE APPLICATION FOR RATE INCREASE**
17 **AND APPROVAL OF PURCHASED POWER CONTRACT**
BY ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY
DOCKET NUMBER E-01345A-03-0437

18 On June 27, 2003, Arizona Public Service Company, ("APS") filed an application
19 with the Arizona Corporation Commission for a 9.8 percent increase (\$175.0 million)
20 over adjusted test year revenues, and for approval of a purchased power contract with
21 Pinnacle West Energy Corporation. Copies of APS' application and proposed tariffs
are available at its office [insert address and telephone number] and the Commission's
offices at 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona, for public inspection during
regular business hours.

22 On August 18, 2004, a Proposed Settlement Agreement was filed with the
23 Commission.

24 The Commission will hold a hearing on this matter beginning November 8, 2004 at
25 10:00 a.m. at the Commission's offices, 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona.
Public comments will be taken on the first day of the hearing. Written public
26 comments may be submitted via email (visit
<http://www.cc.state.az.us/utility/cons/index.htm> for instructions), or by mailing a letter
27 referencing Docket Number E-01345A-03-0437 to: Arizona Corporation Commission,
Consumer Services Section, 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, AZ 85007.
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The law provides for an open public hearing. The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission to its public meetings. Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation such as a sign language interpreter, as well as request this document in an alternative format, by contacting Yvonne McFarlin, ADA Coordinator, voice phone number (602)542-3931, email YMcFarlin@cc.state.az.us. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation. The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission to its public meetings.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that APS shall cause the above notice to be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in all its service territories, with publication to be completed no later than September 15, 2004.²

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that APS shall file certification of publication as soon as practicable after publication has been completed.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that notice shall be deemed complete upon publication of same, notwithstanding the failure of an individual customer to read or receive the notice.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Motion of the Town of Wickenburg to Withdraw as Intervenor is hereby granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Ex Parte Rule (A.A.C. R14-3-113-Unauthorized Communications) continues to apply to this proceeding.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the time periods specified herein shall not be extended pursuant to Rule 6(a) or (e) of the Rules of Civil Procedure.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Presiding Officer may rescind, alter, amend, or waive any portion of this Procedural Order either by subsequent Procedural Order or by ruling at hearing.

DATED this ____ day of August, 2004.

LYN FARMER
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

Copies of the foregoing were mailed
this _____ day of August, 2004 to:

² APS, Staff and the parties may modify this notice to include additional information about the Proposed Settlement Agreement.

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